

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2748 – HB 3083

March 29, 2010

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (014111): Specifies that the publication requirement set out in Article XI, Section 3, of the Tennessee Constitution, is satisfied if the constitutional amendment is timely posted on the official Web sites of the Secretary of State and the General Assembly. No other form of publication is necessary to comply with such publication requirement; however, the Secretary of State is required to compile and maintain a list of newspapers that are published at least bi-weekly and major news media organizations within the state and shall issue a press release announcing the posting of such amendment to each such newspaper and organization.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

Decrease State Expenditures - \$24,000

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendment:

- The cost of publication by the Secretary of State's office is estimated to be approximately \$24,000.
- The decrease in state expenditures would be recurring to the extent that constitutional amendments are proposed and adopted by the General Assembly.
- Over a two-year period, there are usually one or two resolutions proposed by the General Assembly for which publication is necessary.

- Maintaining a list of newspapers and media organizations and issuing a press release when such amendment is posted can be accommodated within existing resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James W. White". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "W".

James W. White, Executive Director

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